

SILVER AND LEAD
Silver, per ounce, 61 1/2c.
Copper, per pound, 15 1/2c.
Lead, per 100 pounds, 4.85 & R. Co.'s
price, 4.10; New York exchange, 4.10;
4.15, New York brokers', 4.20.

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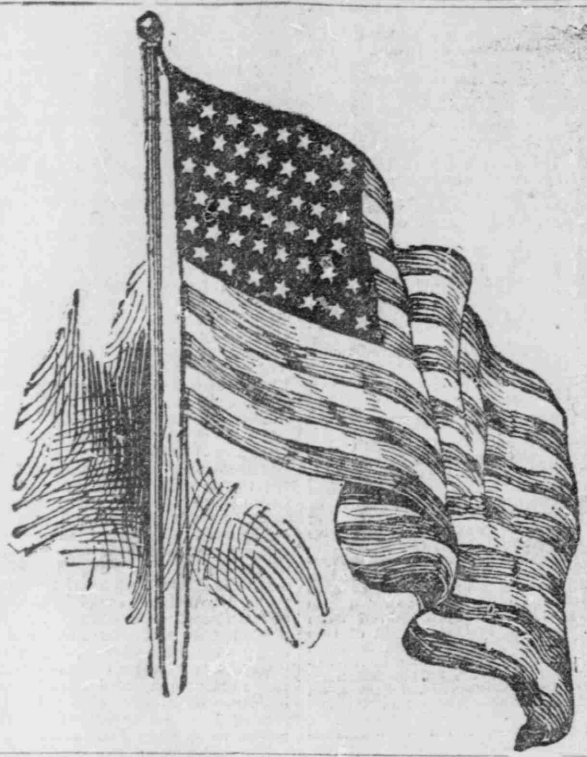
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THE LEADER IS NAMED AND PLATFORM ADOPTED

Unparalleled Scenes of Enthusiasm at Yesterday's Sessions of Convention.

David B. Hill Endorses Bryan and Webster Davis Declares for the Democracy.

Kansas City, Mo., July 5.—William Jennings Bryan of Nebraska was tonight unanimously placed in nomination as the Democratic candidate for president of the United States on a platform opposing imperialism, militarism and trusts, and specifically declaring for the free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1. The nomination came as the culmination of a frenzied demonstration in honor of the party leader lasting twenty-seven minutes, and giving utterance to all the pent-up emotions of the vast multitude. It followed also a fierce struggle throughout the last thirty-six hours concerning the platform declaration on silver and the relative position which the silver question is to maintain to the other great issues of the day.

It was late this afternoon when the convention was at last face to face with the presidential nomination. Earlier in the day there had been tedious delays, due to the inability of the platform committee to reconcile their differences and present a report. Until this was ready the convention managers begged the time by patting forward speakers of more or less prominence to keep the vast audience from becoming too restless.

The first session, beginning at 10 o'clock this morning, was entirely fruitless of results, and it was not until late in the afternoon when the second session had begun that the platform committee was at last able to report an agreement. Already its main features, embodying the 16 to 1 principle, had become known to the delegates, and there was little delay in giving it unanimous approval.

BRYAN'S NOMINATION.
This removed the last chance for an open rupture on questions of principle, and left the way clear for the supreme event of the day—the nomination of the presidential candidate. The vast audience was filled to its utmost capacity when the moment arrived for the nomination to be made. Not only were the usual facilities afforded by tickets taxed to the utmost, but the doorkeepers were given liberal instructions, under which the aisles and alcoves and all available spaces were packed to their fullest limit.

When the call of states began for the purpose of placing in nomination, Alabama yielded its place at the head of the list to Nebraska, and the platform for that state made his way to the platform. Mr. Bryan, in nomination for the presidency. The orator was strong, bold and entertaining, yet to the waiting delegates and spectators there was but one point to his speech, and that was the stirring declaration which closed with the name of William Jennings Bryan. This was the signal for the demonstration of the day, and the great concourse joined in a tribute of enthusiastic devotion to the party leader. A huge oil portrait of Bryan, measuring fifteen feet across, was brought down the main aisle before the delegates. At the same time the standards of the state delegations were held by their sockets and waved on high, while banners of red, white and blue, silk banners of the several states, and many handsome and unique transparencies were borne about the building and the deafening clamor of 20,000 yelling, restlessness men and women. All of the intensity of former demonstrations and much more was added to this final tribute to the leader.

When the demonstration had spent itself the speeches seconding the nomination of Mr. Bryan were in order. Senator White spoke for California, giving the tribute of the Pacific coast to the Nebraska candidate.

TRIBUTE FROM HILL.
When Colorado was reached, that state yielded to Senator Hill of New York. The audience had been waiting the appearance of the distinguished New Yorker, and as he took the platform he was accorded a splendid reception, the entire audience rising and cheering wildly, with the single exception of the little group of prominent leaders, who sat silent throughout the cheers for their New York associate. Mr. Hill was in good voice and his tribute to the Nebraska candidate a sympathetic chord in the hearts of the audience. He pictured

seconding speech in a Democratic national convention, and finally a sweet-voiced and pleasant-faced woman alternated from Utah seconded the nomination of Mr. Bryan in behalf of the state of Utah.

Then came the voting. State after state recorded its vote in behalf of the Nebraska candidate, and giving him the unanimous vote of all the states and territories. The convention managers had already agreed that this was sufficient work for the day, and the vice-presidential nomination was allowed to go over until tomorrow.

IMPERIALISM PARAMOUNT.
Next to the demonstration for the party candidate, that greeting the announcement that imperialism was to be the paramount issue of this campaign was the most spontaneous and significant of the day. Senator Tillman read the platform, and with measured force brought out the fact that imperialism was now given the first and supreme place among the issues of the party. That the delegates were in complete sympathy with this expression was shown by the terrific and long-sustained applause, lasting over twenty-two minutes, and exceeding the ovations usually accorded the favorites of the party. Following this, the announcement that the sixteen to one idea was retained in the platform received only faint and lily-sustained recognition, the applause being limited to a few minutes. It was regarded as a significant showing in the sentiment of the delegates, quite as convincing as the terms of the platform they had put forward.

PLATFORM STRUGGLE.

But the great battle of the convention has not been fought under the eyes of cheering thousands, but in the privacy of the closely guarded quarters of the committee on platform. Here was waged throughout last night and again this morning one of the most remarkable struggles that has ever raged in this historic party. On the one hand was the influence of Bryan and the absolute unity of devotion felt toward him and the cause of silver, with which his name is inseparably linked. On the other hand were many of the patriarchs of the party, men like Daniel of Virginia, insisting that the very life of the organization was endangered by clinging to old issues, and that the duty of the hour called for new issues, based on new and vital events. This contest was at last narrowed down to the one issue of specifically reaffirming the party's adherence to a 16 to 1 standard, as desired by Mr. Bryan, or reaffirming the silver plank in most general terms. And on this issue the brains, the sagacity, the persuasive eloquence and the best ability of the convention was for the last thirty-six hours been engaged in a battle royal for supremacy.

And out of this fierce strife the adherents of Bryan emerged, scarred but victorious. They have written the platform in their own way, with 16 to 1. But it was a victory by a scratch, for a single vote would have turned the scale. And it has not been a victory without concession, for in the final draft silver is no longer "paramount." It is far down in the platform, while in the very forefront is the declaration that imperialism is the "paramount issue of the campaign."

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